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B.

1. PROJ HQ AGREES THAT [REDACTED] MISSIONS COULD BE MORE  
PRODUCTIVE <sup>LY</sup> FLOWN IN CONJUNCTION WITH [REDACTED] MISSIONS, BUT  
BELIEVES THE POSSIBLE ADVANTAGES TO BE DERIVED SHOULD BE CAREFULLY  
WEIGHED AGAINST THE INCREASED THREAT TO SAFETY OF THE [REDACTED]  
AIRCRAFT.

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2. WE ARE PRESENTLY PLANNING [REDACTED] MISSIONS TO STAND OFF FROM  
CHINA MAINLAND, 30-40 NAUTICAL MILES. SINCE THIS IS SOMEWHAT UNIQUE  
IN THE TACKLE OPERATION, IT UNDOUBTEDLY WILL CAUSE CHICOM SPECULATION  
AS TO REASON AND PROBABLY WILL GENERATE HOSTILE REACTION IN FORM OF  
FIGHTER LAUNCH FOR AT LEAST THE FIRST THREE OR FOUR [REDACTED] MISSIONS.  
THIS WOULD TEND TO REMOVE, TO SOME DEGREE, THE ELEMENT OF SURPRISE  
NOW PRESENT IN [REDACTED] MISSIONS. SLOW SPEED OF TACKLE AIRCRAFT  
AND NECESSITY FOR PLACING TACKLE AIRCRAFT IN OPTIMUM POSITION FOR

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25X1 [REDACTED] *Also* RECEPTION WOULD PROVIDE CHICOMS INCREASED REACTION TIME IF  
25X1 THEY EXPECTED [REDACTED] MISSIONS AT SAME TIME AS [REDACTED] MISSION. 25X1  
25X1 3. WE THEREFORE ARE ~~SOONER~~ RELUCTANT TO TAKE CHANCE OF  
25X1 JEOPARDIZING SAFETY OF [REDACTED] AIRCRAFT FOR AN UNKNOWN DEGREE OF  
25X1 INCREASED [REDACTED] EFFECTIVENESS, BUT ARE AGREEABLE TO CONSIDERING  
25X1 JOINT [REDACTED] MISSION IF [REDACTED] STILL BELIEVES IT A ~~DESIRED~~ <sup>DESIRED</sup> MISSION. 25X1  
COURSE OF ACTION.  
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4. IF SUCH A MISSION WERE TO BE FLOWN, RECOMMEND THAT IT BE ON  
A ONE TIME ONLY BASIS AND AFTER SEVERAL [REDACTED] MISSIONS HAVE BEEN  
25X1 FLOWN. THIS WILL PERMIT AN ASSESSMENT OF THE EXTENT OF CHICOM  
25X1 FIGHTER REACTION TO [REDACTED] MISSION AND AN ESTIMATE OF THE RESULTING  
25X1 INCREASED THREAT TO THE [REDACTED] MISSION.

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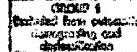


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